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FOR AMBASSADOR VANDEN HEUVEL FROM ASST. SECRETARY MAYNES

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: AORG, UN, EAID

SUBJECT: GENEVA GROUP MEETING: FIELD STUDY PAPER

1. I AGREE THAT THE LATEST DRAFT OF THE FIELD STUDY PAPER (STATE 82491), BASED ON CHET NORRIS' TALKS WITH YOUR STAFF AND ON PRELIMINARY DRAFTS PREPARED BY THEM, IS AN IMPROVEMENT OVER THE PREVIOUS ONE. I BELIEVE WE SHOULD NOW PUT IT IN FINAL FORM BY INCORPORATING THE DRAFTING CHANGES YOU PROPOSE.

2. I BELIEVE IT USEFUL TO STATE BRIEFLY WHAT I HAVE IN MIND AS OUR OBJECTIVE IN THIS FIELD STUDY PROPOSAL,
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WHICH MAY NOT BE ENTIRELY CLEAR BECAUSE THE PAPER HAS BEEN DRAFTED WITH A VIEW TO PRESENTING IT IN FULL BEFORE-HAND TO OTHER MEMBER COUNTRIES SO THAT THEY MAY BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS IT. THE KEY TO THE DRAFT PAPER IS STATED IN PARAGRAPHS B 1 AND 2 OF STATE 82491. WE WOULD PROPOSE SIMPLY THAT THE GENEVA GROUP CONSULTATION LEVEL MEETING AGREE THAT IT IS APPROPRIATE FOR US

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TO CONSULT ON FIELD STUDIES IN GENEVA GROUP ORGANI-
ZATIONS FOR THOSE PURPOSES. THIS COULD BE A MAJOR
NEW UNDERTAKING AS SUGGESTED IN PARA 2 OF GENEVA 5197,

BUT REALISTICALLY WE EXPECT LITTLE MORE THAN INFOR-
MATIONAL CONSULTATION IN FULL GENEVA GROUP MEETINGS,
WITH FULLER COLLABORATION IF ANY WITH A MORE LIMITED
NUMBER OF COUNTRIES. THE KENYA PILOT STUDY WOULD BE
PRESENTED MERELY FOR ILLUSTRATIVE PURPOSES. I BELIEVE
WE SHOULD CIRCULATE THE KENYA REPORT AT THE CONSULTA-
TION LEVEL MEETING, BUT THERE COULD BE NO SUBSTANTIAL
DISCUSSION OF IT SINCE OTHER GOVERNMENTS WILL JUST
HAVE RECEIVED IT AND WILL NOT BE PREPARED. I WOULD
WELCOME YOUR SUGGESTIONS ON HOW TO HANDLE PRESENTATION
OF THE KENYA REPORT.

3. I WOULD PREFER KEEPING THE TWO ANNEXES IN THE
PAPER, TO GIVE FULLER INFORMATION ABOUT HOW WE ARE
CONDUCTING FIELD STUDIES, AND TO AROUSE WORKING-LEVEL
INTEREST WITHIN OTHER GOVERNMENTS. THE ANNEXES ARE
FOR INFORMATION ONLY AND ARE TENTATIVE PENDING COMPLE-
TION OF THE STUDY: PERHAPS IT WOULD MEET YOUR POINT TO
SO INDICATE AT THE END OF PARAGRAPH 2 A (1) AND IN
THE HEADINGS OF THE ANNEXES.

4. WE BELIEVE THERE IS URGENT NEED TO PUT THE PAPER
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IN FINAL FORM AND DISTRIBUTE IT TO OTHER MEMBER
GOVERNMENTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, IN ORDER THAT THEY
MAY BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS IT IN THE MAY 2-3 CONSULTA-
TION LEVEL MEETING. VANCE

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